KANSAS CITY, KAS.

NOTICE.

The Kansas City, Kas., Branch Office of the Journal has removed from the Husted building to 641 Minnesota avenue. Telephone, West 23.

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PROSPERITY A REGULAR THING AT THE POSTOFFICE NOW.

GREAT INCREASE IN RECEIPTS.

NEVER BEFORE EQUALED IN HIS-TORY OF THE OFFICE.

November Business Fifty-seven and One-half Per Cent More Than Last Year-Phenomenal Increase Since July-Miscellaneous.

"I see by The Journal," said Postmaster Barnes yesterday, "that the Kansas City, Mo., postoffice reports a business increase of 30 per cent for the month of November. Just tell the people that Kansas City, Kas, sees the '30' and goes Kansas City, Mo.,

27% better. At the local postoffice the receipts last month were 57% per cent greater than the receipts for the same month last year This is one of the largest increases reported from any part of the United States. Never before in the history of the Kansas City, Kas., postoffice has such an increase in

postal business been recorded. In November, 1896, the receipts of the local office were \$3,830.82, while the receipts were \$6.004.18 at the same office last month. The expenses of the office were no greater list month than in November, 1996. The increase in business at the postoffice is not confined to last month. The business has onfined to last month. The business has seen growing since July, as shown by the 1896, \$4,644.75; July, 1897, \$4,861.69; in-

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August, 1886, 14.572.85; August, 1897, \$5.-68.96; increase, 24 per cent.
September, 1886, \$1.848.83; September, 1897, \$6.5.31; increase, 45 per cent.
October, 1896, \$4.892.58; October, 1897, \$5.-86.43; increase, 22 per cent.
November, 1896, \$4.892.58; October, 1897, \$5.-654.18; increase, 57½ per cent.
The increase is due to activity in business generally in Kansas City, Kas. All of the large manufacturers are using more postal supplies than before, for the reason that their business is reviving.
During the past month the local post-office has undergone a complete everhauling. It has been remodeled and rearrangel and has now the appearance of a first-class postoffice. These improvements have been made without putting the government to a dollar of extra expense. Postmaster Barnes has taken a deep interest in Uncle Sam's business and his office is run on the same basis as a private business concern.

Miss Edelmann Sues for Damages. Miss Mamie Edelmann, stenographer for The Journal, brought suit in the court of common pleas yesterday against the re-ceivers of the Union Pacific Railway Com-pany for \$5.990 damages. Miss Edelmann was a passenger on the train which was wrecked at Strasburg, Col., on August 3 last, and was one of the several passen-gers who were seriously injured.

THE NEWS AT LEAVENWORTH. City Council Has a Lively Session-County Taxes Coming In-Fort

and Army News.

The regular meeting of the city council dnesday night proved to be anything but a tame affair and the few spectatorsi present enjoyed the tilt between the mayor and several of the councilmen. Two of the councilmen charged mismanagement in the affairs of the street commissioner's department and accused the mayor of keeping men employed in his own ward to the detriment of other portions of the city. Councilmen Hershfield and McNally charged the mayor with excess of authority in connec tion with work on South Third street, This coused his honor to grow hot under the collar, and he demanded proof and asked McNally if he had any noney with which to back up his assertions. The councilman to back up his assertions. The councilman retorted by giving the names of two laborers whose claim was for twenty-six days work during November. This includes a legal holiday and another when it rained all day, and no work could be done. This exasperated the mayor to such an extent that he used language unbecoming a pre-Another wrangle took place over the

mouthly report of the street commissioner, when Councilman Dassler, president of the council, charged that the affairs of the department were negligently conducted and that a large amount of money was expended each month for which there was nothing to show. He followed up his charge with the introduction of a resolution for the appointment of a special committee of three, who shall report as to how the department shall be conducted in a systematic manner, and himself. Kaufmann and Fiery were so appointed. J. Last year the present council cut the salaries of a number of the city officials, in answer to a demand for a more economical administration of city affairs. They now regret listening to the demands of the people and now want to return to a partment were negligently conducted and now regret listening to the demands of the people and now want to return to a higher salary schedule. An ordinance was introduced raising the salaries of all officers except the city physician from \$50 to \$350 per year. This will come up for final action at the next meeting and, should the ordinance pass, it is to take effect with the new year.

The committee on the department was authorized to purchase 1000 feet of hose. J. J. McQuillan presented a claim for \$154.55 for the loss of his team, recently killed by falling over an embankment and the claim was referred to the proper committee.

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The city treasurer reported \$2.627.19 in the general fund, \$1.296.69 in the general fund, \$1.296.69 in the general improvement fund and a balance on hand of \$11.781.59. This did not show enough in the general fund with which to pay claims against the city, so Councilman Dassler moved that the appropriation ordinance only appropriate enough funds to pay salaries of the city officials and employes of the street commissioner and city engineer's departments, which was agreed to.

The various city officers reported November collections as follows: City collector, \$152; city weighmaster, \$156.85; police judge, \$2.275. John Baker was appointed city poundmaster, to fill a vacancy.

Fort and Army.

The lecture given by Lieutenant Burnham on the "English Army and Its Drill, Regulations" was much appreciated by the student-officers at the Infantry and Cavalry school. Other officers will follow with discussions on the armies of foreign nations, and the next two will be on the French and Spanish armies.

The war department has instructed the commanding officer at Fort Riley, Kas., to grant a discharge, under regulations 141 and 146, to Farrier Homer J. Bunton, First cavalry, December 25.

cavalry, December 5.

A leave of absence for two months and ten days has been granted to Second Lieu-tenant William G. Sills, Second cavalry. After a service of thirty years the presi-dent has ordered that the following en-listed men be placed on the retired list,

and directed that they shall proceed to their homes: Commissary Sergeant Mich-ael Young. Sergeants Simon Connolly, Da-vid H. Willard. Henry J. Smith, Frederick N. Reed and Musician Robert Shafer. Owing to the inclement weather of the past two days there has been no outside drill.

drill.

The latest civilian to enlist at the local recruiting office is Arthur Rowe, of Lane, Kas. He has been assigned to Company A. Twentieth infantry.

Chaplain Cade, of the United States penitentiary, has gone to Raleigh, N. C., to visit his family.

Hard on the Poor.

The office of the poor commissioner at the court house yesterday was througed with applicants for assistance, many of whom appeared to be in a destitute con-dition. The low condition of the county's nances will not permit the commissioner o afford much relief, and a number were to afford much relief, and a number were obliged to go away disappointed.

The decided drop in the temperature of the past few days is causing considerable suffering among the destitute, and something should be done to relieve them. There are many charitably inclined in the city who are able to make liberal donations, either in money, clothing or provisions, for the relief of their less fortunate neighbors. Steps should be taken to reorganize the Relief Society, which has done such good work in past years, and until such time as it is organized the poor commissioner would probably disburse contributions to the worthy poor.

County Taxes.

The county treasurer reports that taxes are coming in at the rate of \$2,000 per day, which is hardly up to the usual amount for this season of the year. After December 29, the penalty of 5 per cent will apply to all unpaid taxes, and the treasurer suggests that people call early in the month, so as to avoid the rush incident to the last few days. More people have been calling for statements this year than usual, which is a good indication that taxes will be paid. The supply of statement blanks is now exhausted, and the officials say that no more will be printed. This will cause considerable delay during the last few days, and those who put off taxpaying until the last are liable to have a penalty added on this account.

Election Expenses.

Yesterday was the last day allowed by aw in which candidates could file a statelaw in which candidates could file a statement of campaign expenses, and a number did so. Those who filed, and the amount of their expenses, were: Soi Phillips, \$19. Frank O'Donnell, \$50; J. C. Stone, Jr., \$25.40; J. M. Creighton, \$115; W. H. Courtney, \$218. Jacob Rodenhaus, \$105.50; Jacob Huhn, \$19; Charles H. Miller, \$186.30; Democratic city central committee, \$773.45; J. W. Nichaus, \$50. The last named candidate was elected county clerk, and had no opposition. This shows that each of the three parties struck him for \$100 apiece.

Brief Mention. One of The Journal carriers was taken sick, which fact caused delay to patrons on one of the routes. A new carrier is now learning it and subscribers are asked to bear with him for a few days.

The case against Opal Norman, charged with taking a pocketbook from an old soldier, was dismissed in Justice Bond's court yesterday, the state not having sufficient evidence to secure a conviction.

Thomas O'Leary has been elected by lodge No. 17, A. O. U. W., as its representative to attend the grand lodge session at Wichira, February 4.

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The Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association will meet this evening to adopt appropriate resolutions on the death of their late member, Mathew Ryan.

The second entertainment of the Epworth League course will be given in the First Methodist church this evening. The entertainment will consist of selections by the Western stars, of the Central Lyceum bureau.

reau.

The First National bank was closed yesterday morning during the funeral of the late Mathew Ryan, who was one of its

directors.

The Missouri Pacific officials contemplate erecting a depot and putting in a telegraph station at the Soldiers' home.

The Maple Leaf is hauling large numbers of new coal cars to Kansas City, for the Port Arthur route. The cars have a capacity of thirty tons each.

The Polish coal miners are arranging for a masquerade ball on the evening of January 1.

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There was but one real estate transfer filed for record yesterday, the figures being given as \$2,000.

A marriage license was granted yesterday to Weith W. Johnson, aged 21, and Emma Higgins, aged 18.

Deputy sheriffs yesterday levied upon a lot of horses belonging to C. B. Clark, to satisfy a judgment held against him by James Gray for \$1,000.

Snow began falling shortly after noon yesterday and by night the earth wore a white coat.

Among those who applied at the police station for shelter Wednesday night was a fullblooded Indian. He claims to come from Dakota and is going to the Indian Territory. He was given permission to sleep on the courtroom floor.

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The funeral of the late Levi Wilson will ake place at 2:30 this afternoon from the resbyterian church.
The Carnation Club met with Mrs. Otto chmeckel yesterday afternoon.
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to the Industrial school at Beloit, yester-day.

The case of the city against J. W. Dodds is to be certified to the supreme court for trial. This is the case wherein the Salvation Army and Colonel D. R. Anthony became mixed up.

The attendance at the cathedral during the obsequies of the late Mathew Ryan yesterday morning was large. Every seat in the immense building was filled with those who had gathered to pay tribute to his worth and sympathize with the survivors. Mr. Ryan believed in life insurance, and carried a large amount, one policy being for \$10,000.

The marriage of Mr. Joseph Burnes and Miss Ella Welkert is announced to take place December 8. place December 8.

Three young women have arrived from Ireland and entered St. Mary's academy as

novitlates. INDEPENDENCE.

Society Will Be More Exclusive This Winter Than Heretofore-News Notes. Independence society will not enjoy social

life through the medium of clubs this win-ter. Clubs are to be boycotted by the entertainers, and in their stead dinners and evening parties of a more formal order are to be the correct thing. Clubs have been tried for several seasons, and the society leaders will entertain whom they will and where they will, and not through miscellaneous invitations to club meetings Games which raged among the elite in other seasons are not to be considered the proper thing any more, as the excitement incident to the games has frequently caused acrimonious disputes.

City to Rent Rock Crusher.

The city authorities expect to arrange with J. J. Reiger, paying contractor, to rent for a few weeks his rock crusher located at the public spring. About \$500 annually is devoted to employing laborers in the city at a time when they most need work. It is proposed that this amount be used this year to furnish men employment at the rock crusher. Officials believe the returns to the city will be greater and the same benefits derived by the workmen.

Chicken Thieves Are Active.

Chicken Thieves have begun work again the vicinity of Independence. Tuesday alght South end chicken roosts were robbed with impunity. At the home of W. S. Dickey every chicken was stolen. Many lectrical alarms have been placed in chicken houses, and owners are inclined to choot. It is considered only a matter of time before some chicken thief will be killed.

Miss Corder to Wed J. G. Webb.

The marriage of Miss Lena Corder to Mr. J. G. Webb, Jr., will be solemnized December 15, at the residence of Jackson Corder, on Independence avenue. Only the immediate families will be present. Mr. Webb is a resident of Lafayette county. They will make their future home at 25% Olive street, Kansas City.

Independence News Notes.

Rev. Mr. James Vernon will lecture to-night at the Christian church on the sub-ject, "Through Palestine on Horseback." Word was received in this city yesterday from Lamoni, Ia., announcing the death of Mrs. Adam Jessamin, formerly of this city.

city.

A session of the county court will be held in this city to-morrow. Routine matters will be considered.

Miss Carrie Maxwell and Mr. Curtis Nicholson were united in marriage yesterday by olsen were united in marriage yesterday by Justice Louis Jones. The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian church met last night with Rev. Mr. A. D. Madeira.

The Independence Music Club will meet this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. L.

Mrs. H. H. Noland and Mrs. Fred Tay-or, of Kansas City, Mo., were visitors lor, of Kansas City, Mo., were visitors in this city yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Galemore, of Kansas

City; Mrs. Malinda Thomas, of Salisbury, Mo., and Miss Mary Harvey, of Kansas City, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Rev. Mr. Charles McElroy, formerly of his city, but now a resident of Michigan, s the guest of G. L. Compton and family. Two Indian squaws, each with a papoose, wandered into the city yesterday. They were beggars, Will Bartholomew has returned from a trip to California.

BLAMES IT ALL ON THE GIRL Iowa Man Tells How Love for His Sweetheart Led Him Into

Crime. Waterloo, Ia., Dec. 2,-William Kern has nade a confession implicating his sweet-Delilah Fales, in the murder of Jerome Kern, and has confessed himself 6 have been her willing dupe and accomplice. He says he loved her. He had no particular enmity against his father, save that his father objected to his attachment to Miss Fales. They had no disagreement. and lived in harmony beneath the sam

Such was the strength of his fascination for the woman who tempted him, however, that when she unfolded to him the details of a plot to slay both his parents, take possession of their little property and get married, he consented to assist in the

slaughter. A plot was laid to lure Jerome Kern into he timber and then make away with him. The murder of the mother was to be ac-complished at a later date. On the morning of the murder the elder Kern was in duced to leave the house. Delilah Fales lay in wait for him, and, after engaging the unsuspecting man in conversation, fired the fatal shot.

According to young Kern's confession the two then saturated the clothing of the dead man with oil and set fire to it the object being to conceal the manner in which he died. He alleges that the oll can and the revolver were buried by the Fales woman in the woods. Fales woman in the woods.

Kern was made to confess through the
work of detectives, who induced a young
man to "haunt" him in the guise of the
ghost of the murdered father. The ghost
worked on the young man's nerves to
such an extent that he finally weakened.

ARKANSAS STREET DUEL.

Wealthy Horatio Man Shoots Down Dr. Smith and Fatally Wounds His Brother.

Nashville, Ark., Dec. 2.-Details of a terrible street duel at Horatio, in which one man was killed outright and another fatalwounded, reached here to-day. The dead man is Dr. Smith, a prominent prac-ticing physician of that place, and the man fatally wounded is J. J. Smith, a prominent business man of Horatio and a brother of the dead doctor.

The killing was done by W. W. Millwee lso of Horatio, one of the wealthiest men in the town and a man noted for his fear

The tragedy was the culmination of feud of long standing, and, owing to the prominence of the parties, it is believed

prominence of the parties, it is believed that the feud will be continued by some of their numerous friends and adherents, and that more blood will be shed before the affair is finally settled.

Millwe and Dr. Smith met in front of the Locke hotel. Both men drew their weapons and opened fire almost instantaneously. Several shots were exchanged. Smith receiving a wound in the left arm at Millwee's first fire. He continued the battle, however, and gave up the contest only when he sank to the ground dead, with a bullet through his heart.

J. J. Smith came to his brother's assistance just as the fatal bullet was fired, and drew his own pistol to fire on Millwee. His weapon snapped, however, and Millwee, turning his attention to the brother, sent a bullet the battlet had the state that a bullet was fired. weapon snapped, however, and Millwee, turning his attention to the brother, sent a bullet into his head.

ALL BECAUSE OF A GIRL. Three Rival Arkansas Lovers Engage in a Fracas and All Will

Die.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 2.-Particulars of a shooting scrape which took place at a country church near Huntsville. Madison county, last night, were received here to-day. It seems that Seth Lowe, Will Phil-lips and John Howard, three farmers living in the neighborhood, were in love with the same girl, a Miss Irene Pruitt. Miss Pruitt went to prayer meeting with Phil-lips last night, and there they met the other two young men. The girl went into the building, while the men repaired a short distance away to discuss the situation. Howard and Lowe jumped onto Phillips, who got out his revolver and shot Howard through the body, but before he could cock his pistol the second time Lowe pulled down on Phillips and completely paralyzed him with a bullet through the small of the back. Phillips shot Lowe from the ground however wounding him paralyzed him with a bullet through the small of the back. Phillips shot Lowe from the ground, however, wounding him dangerously in the left shoulder. The fight created a panic in church. It is said all three are fatally injured.

A MURDEROUS YOUNG MOTHER. Killed Her Two Babes and Then Attempted to Commit Suicide

Last Night. Philadelphia, Dec. 2.-Anna Niggl, a young married woman, to-night murdered her two younger children by illuminating gas, and at the same time attempted sui ide by the same means. The murdered children were Frank, aged 2 years, and Harvey months. Mrs. Niggl lived in a small, two story house with her husband, John Niggl. story house with her husband, John Niggl, who is a picture frame gilder. When he returned from his work about \$20 o'clock to-night he was unable to get into the house. Forcing an entrance, he went upstairs and, detecting the odor of gas from the bathroom, forced the door. In the bathtub lay the unconscious forms of his wife and two children.

JUROR UNDER SUSPICION. One of the Men Chosen to Try Luctgert Said to Be a Friend of His.

Niggl is still alive, but in a critical

Chicago, Dec. 2 .- One of the four men se lected to act as juorors in the Luetgert case is under suspicion. Reports have come to Mr. Deneen which imply that the man secured his position in the interests of the defense and has for years been a friend defense and has for years been a friend of the sausage maker. To-night Mr. Deneen had two of Inspector Schaack's most trusted men assigned him and placed the investigation in their hands. A report is expected to-morrow morning, and it may result in the discharge of the juror and subsequent proceedings against him. No additional jurors were secured to-day.

ALABAMA NEGRO'S CRIME.

Slays Three Members of a Family and Robs the House of \$700.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 2.-John Singley wealthy farmer, was called from his house near Warrens last night by a negro named Bill Scott, for the alleged purpose of catching a horse. Singley was struck on the head and his throat cut. The negro then went into the house, where he killed Mrs. Singley, cutting her head almost off, and also Dallas Singley, a ten-year-old son. He then robbed the house of \$700. Mr Singley is still alive, but cannot recover. He was able to tell the story. A posse is searching for the nearro and if he is caught they will undoubtedly lynch him.

TWO NEW YORK SUICIDES. Loss of Fortune the Motive in One Case and Loss of Wife in

the Other. New York, Dec. 2.-Frank M. Genin, 38 years old, and a son of John R. Genin, the famous hatter, from whom he inherited \$100,000, shot and killed himself at his home \$100,000, shot and killed himself at his home in this city to-day. He had lost his fortune by bad investments.

Charles W. Plyer, 58 years old, insurance manager of the National Wall Paper Company, shot and killed himself at his home in this city to-day. His business affairs were prosperous, but he was heartbroken over the recent death of his wife.

Two Years for Joseph Geiger. Richmond, Mo., Dec. 2.—(Special.) Joseph Beiger, who shot and killed Teney Hunf west of Lexington Junction on June 3 last,

was arraigned for trial after the continuance of the Lackey case yesterday. The testimony disclosed the fact that someone had become too familiar whi Geiger's wife and had often threatened the husband's life. Geiger was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

HIS CONFESSION FALSE.

Joseph E. Blanther in Atlanta, Ga. When the Durrant Murders Were Committed.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 2.-Joseph E. Blanther, better known as Arthur D. Forbes, who was manager-proprietor of the Southern Purchasing Agency in Atlanta, and who recently committed suicide in a county jull in Texas, was in Atlanta on the days when the murder of Miss Blanche M. Lamont and Miss Minnie Williams ocand Lamont and Miss Ainmie Williams oc-curred in San Francisco. The statement is made by persons in Atlanta who knew Forbes well, and who had business deal-ings with him, and to support their state-ments the books and records which were in Vertex; office here, have been consulted ments the books and records which were in Forbes' office here have been consulted and it is shown that between April 1 and April 14, 1895, the time of the two murders in San Francisco, Forbes was here and doing business with Kelly Bros. & Co.

iong business with Kely Bros. & Co. and other firms.

Therefore, he could not possibly have seen the murderer of the young girls, and he declaration made in a written confession admitting that he killed the young tonner is false. women is false.

Mrs. Blanther, the widow of the suicide, as been exerting every energy to show hat her husband was the real murderer, und that Theodore Durrant, now under senence of death for the crimes, is an innosent man.

NO EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM. Oklahoma Negro Who Narrowly Escaped Lynching for Mur-

der Goes Free. Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 2.—(Special.) At Stillwater to-day Judge Dale discharged Thomas Laffin, a negro, on trial for the murder of J. E. Morrow and little daugher, without allowing the case to go to the jury, as there was really no evidence against him. Morrow and the little gir were killed with an ax while sleeping in their wagon by the roadside, and at the time Laflin was arrested the excitement was so great that the officers had a halight to keep him from being lynched.

"DOMESTIC TROUBLE."

Man Who Marries a Widow With Ten Children Wearies of It in Two Years.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 2.-Albert Krueger butcher, shot and killed his wife to-day and then took a drink of carbolic acid, dy ing soon afterward at the Emergency hos pital. Mrs. Krueger was 45 years of age and, as a widow with ten children, married Krueger two years ago. Domestic trouble was the cause of the tragedy.

Six Years for False Entries.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 2.—Charles B. Mc-Cloy, formerly bookkeeper for the Second National bank, of this city, to-day pleaded guilty to the charge of making false en-tries. He was sentenced to the Detroit house of correction for six years. McCloy, after his crime, fled to Australia, but later returned and surrendered himself at San Francisco.

The Carter Court-Martial.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The secretary of war to-day ordered a court-martial for the trial of Captain O. M. Carter, corps of engineers, on charges of unofficer-like conduct in the disbursement of government funds for the improvement of Savannah river and harbor. The court will meet at Savannah, Wednesday, January 5. Attempted Indiana Bank Robbery.

Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 2.—Five robbers entered Miles & Higbee's bank at Milford early to-day, drilled a hole in the safe and exploided several charges of dynamite in it, but succeeded only in disfiguring the safe, without opening it. In their rage the robbers burned \$1,000 of valuable securities and departed.

His Victim Wanted Him Pardoned. Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 2.—(Special.) At the request of Miss Lizzie Hightower, of Ralls county, Governor Stephens to-day pardoned Charles O'Keefe from the peal-tentlary. He was serving a two year sentence for seducing Miss Hightower. He came to the penitentlary on November 20, 1897.

Two Years for Manslaughter.

Marshall, Mo., Dec. 2.—William Haley, on trial for the murder of his brother-in-law, John Pinkard, was found guilty of manslaughter in the fourth degree, and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. He stabbed Pinkard in the heart, Douglass Released on Bail. Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 2.—Clarence B. Doug ass, who murdered Editor James Williams

was released from jall to-day, under a bong for \$10,000. The alleged ill health of the prisoner was made the basis of the argu-ment for ball. For Enticing a Girl From Home. Sturgeon, Mo. Dec. 2—(Special.) Iron Tisdel, Welby Walker and Edward Lewis, sons of farmers living near town, were ar-rested to-day for enticing from home the 16-year-old daughter of Wesley Lewis.

BURCHARD "BRIBERY" CASE. Judge Longan Says He Will Take It Up at the First Convenient

Opportunity. The Burchard "bribery" case, wherein Dr. Easton Burchard is charged by Campbell Chapman with having "approached" him in the interest of Dr. Goddard, is set for this afternoon at 2 o'clock before Special Judge Longan. The latter stated Special Judge Longain. The latter stated last night that he would not interrupt the Goddard trial to consider the case, but that time would undoubtedly be found after the evidence was all in, and that the case would be heard. The judge declared he would "show the people that his court could not be trifled with."

WITNESSES WENT HOME.

Case Against Forger Turner Set for Yesterday, but the Goddard Trial Was On. The case against R. B. Turner, the ex-

pert forger, was set for yesterday in the criminal court, and the witnesses were present. Judge Wofford, however, was present. Judge Wofford, however, was not on hand, and the witnesses had to go home again. Judge Wofford will have to re-set the case for trial.

Turner is alleged to be one of the most expert forgers who ever operated in this vicinity. He is charged with forging the names of several prominent society women to checks. He is well educated, and at his preliminary hearings before Justice Krueger he conducted his own defense. He is not represented by counsel, and will probably manage his own case in the criminal court.

Two Hutchinson Veterans Dead. Hutchinson, Kas., Dec. 2.—(Special.) Dan-lel H. Baker and Ell D. Bryant, two old soldiers and respected citizens, died here to-day. They were among the oldest set-tlers in Reno county, and were over 80 years of age. They were also the most aged among the members of the G. A. R. post at Hutchinsen.

To Succeed M. Darlan.

Paris, Dec. 2.—M. H. Milliard, senator for the department of Eure, has been appointed administer of justice in succession of M. Darlan, who resigned yesterday owing to the senate's rejection on Tuesday of his motion to shelve the decision of the removal of a magistrate which had been denounced as illegal.

Forty-four Degrees Below Zero. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—This morning the weather office register showed that the mercury had been 12 degrees below during the night. At 7 a. m. Moorhead reported 16 below, Bismarck 20 below, Hur-ron 2 below, Winnipeg 16 below, Williston 24 below and Havre, Mont., 44 below.

Henvy Snow in Dakota. Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 2.—A fall of snow occurred throughout the state to-day, ranging from six to twelve inches in depth. The storm is still in progress.

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A woman who is weak, nervous and sleepless, and who has cold hands and feet, cannot feel and act like a well person. Carter's Iron Pills equalize the circulation, renervousness and give strength and The Burlington Route.

REV. MR. RICHARD CORDLEY HON-ORED AT LAWRENCE.

BEGAN HIS WORK IN KANSAS.

HAS BEEN IN ONE CHURCH NEARLY ALL THE TIME SINCE.

Presched His First Sermon in Plymouth Congregational Church at Lawrence Forty Years Ago-Something of His Career.

Lawrence, Kas., Dec. 2.-(Special.) The fortieth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Richard Cordley was celebrated in the Plymouth Congregational church The occasion was a memorable one in the town's history, saints and sinners alike coming from far and near to honor the good man who had devoted so many years to the upbuilding of this community.

The exercises began with a reunion of the members of the church at 10 a. m.



THE REV. RICHARD CORDLEY.

and was followed with a communion service, which was made exceedingly impressive by the tender words of their venerable pastor. The afternoon was devoted to reminiscences of early days. O. A. Hanscorn, the only member present of the nine original names on the church roll, sketched the history of the church from its foundation, in 1854, to the close of the following year. C. L. Edwards reviewed the work of the church during 1858 and 1857, up to the time Dr. Cordley came, just forty years ago to-day. Mrs. Storrs widow of one of the members of the Andover "praying band," that included Dr. Cordley, gave a sketch of the band. J. E. Riggs talked of "The Old Church Choir," that sang from 1857 to 1871. Chancellor Snow, of the state university, spoke of church workers now dead. The present status of the church was discussed under following heads by the following persons: "The Pastor," Theo Poehler; "Prayer Meetings," John Charlton; "Church Mu-sic," Mrs. A. D. Weaver; "The Sunday School," W. E. Hazen; "The Young Peo-ple's Society of Christian Endeavor," R.

com, Franklin Haskell, Lewis Litchfield, Mrs. Litchfield, Mrs. Carrie K. Lum and Anna Tappan. To the original nine have been added 1.171, and the church now has n active membership of 552. Forty years ago to-day, December 2, 1857,

Mr. Cordley and three other young ministers fresh from seminary came to Lawrence for the purpose of doing missionary work in the new Kansas Territory. There were in the party Rev. Mr. S. D. Storrs, Rev. Mr. R. D. Parker, Rev. Mr. G. C. Morse and Rev. Mr. Richard Cordley. They were members of the "Andover band" that had been formed in the seminary to come to this new territory to help battle for freedom. After a few days they separated. Storrs went to Wyandotte, Parker to Leavenworth. Morse to Emporia and Cordley took harge of the little band in Lawrence. The church began to grow with the town Mr. Cordley continued its pastor for eighteen years, when, on account of ill health, signed and spent three years in Mich igan, but he longed for his Western home and its active and exciting life. He returned to Kansas and spent six years at Emporia, in charge of the church there, During these nine years the Lawrence church had had many preachers, but none could fill Dr. Cordley's place, and he was persuaded to return to his old place. Since hen he has continued in charge here and will remain, doubtless, till his work is done. In these forty years he has officiated at 377 marriages and at more than 500 funeral



MRS. CORDLEY.

services and has added to the church 497 persons on confession of faith. Rev. Mr. Richard Cordley was born in Nottingham, Eng., September 6, 1829, but came to this country with his parents when he was 4 years of age. His father was a farmer, and settled near Ann Arbor, Mich. where he was educated. He was graduated at Ann Arbor in 1854, and from Andover seminary in 1857. His first sermon was delivered in Lawrence forty years ago to-day.
Since that time he has seidom missed a
Sabbath in the pulpit, and never a week in
some religious service. In addition to his
work of saving souls he has found time
and opportunity to aid in all good work in
which this city was engaged. He served
leng and faithfully on the board of education, and has done much for the public
schools.

He has not been alone in his labors, for
in May, 1859, he was married to Miss Mary
Cox, a beautiful young woman he had
known from childhood days, and together
these two have journeyed all these years
sharing the vicissitudes of frontier life, and
now rejoicing in advancing years in the
luxury of a complete civilization, in great
measure wrought out by their untiring
hends. seminary in 1857. His first sermon was de-

EARTHQUAKE IN KANSAS.

Shock Occurred at 1 O'clock Yester day Morning Over a Consider-

able Area Around Wichita. Wichita, Kas., Dec. 2.-(Special.) A distinet seismic vibration, otherwise an earth-quake, was felt here this morning at o'clock. The effect was more noticeable in West Wichita than on this side of the river

The shaking of houses and the falling and rashing china in pantries, together with the severe rattling of windows awoke most people in the city. Many for a few minutes thought that the millennium had come Panic reigned for several minutes in the city jail, where some fifteen prisoners were confined. Their shrieks could be heard sev-eral blocks, and their pleadings to be set at liberty were pitiful. The city building seems to have suffered more than any other place in the city. It is feared that the masonry has been damaged.

From Wellington, the report comes that all the guests in the Arlington hotel were aroused, as were most of the citizens. No damage reported. The earthquake lasted longer at Kingman than any other place in the seismic area. The duration there was about thirty seconds. Arkansas City and the northern part of Oklahoma felt the shock. South Haven was badly shaken. China was broken and chickens shaken from their roosts.

Pratt, Kas., Dec. 2 .- (Special.) This vi cinity was stirred by a distinct earthquake shock at 12:58 this morning. It was not severe shock, but was strong enough to cause furniture to rock and lamps and

cause furniture to rock and lamps and dishes to rattle. The disturbance lasted about three seconds.

Bluff City, Kas., Dec. 2.—A sharp shock of earthquake was felt here at 1 o'clock this morning. It shook down bottles in the office of Dr. Bowles. Buildings shook so as to awaken people, many of whom arose to learn the cause of the disturbance. ance.
Winfield, Kas., Dec. 2.—(Special.) A severe earthquake shock was felt here this
morning about 1 o'clock, lasting about a
minute. In some instances windows rattled and houses rocked, but no damage

was done.

Newton, Kas., Dec. 2.—(Special.) An earthquake shock was felt here this morning about 3 o'clock. There was a rumbling and shaking which lasted several minutes. Windows all over town were rattled and a few people were frightened. Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 2.—(Special.) What seemed to be a slight earthquake shock was experienced here at 1 o'clock this morning. Many people were awakened by a rocking and shaking of their houses and some were badly frightened. was done. Newton, earthquake

ENDS LIFE WITH A BULLET.

GEORGE BRAZEL BORROWS A RE-VOLVER TO KILL HIMSELF.

Brother-in-Law of "Billy" Kling, the Baseball Player, Dies by His Own Hand Because of Despondency.

George Brazel borrowed a revolver last

night to blow out his brains. His dead body was found in an outhouse in the rear of his home, 1615 McGee street, shortly after 7 o'clock last night. His right hand still held with nerveless clutch the deadly weapon, and a blood-marked hole behind the right ear told the course of the bullet that had ended his life. The bullet did not pass entirely through his head.

Brazel was a wood engraver in rooms 536 Kr., New Ridge building. He was 45 years old and married. Business reverses and his inability to lay up any money are given as the twin causes of his act. He left no

ote. There was nothing in his demeanor when

School," W. E. Hazen; "The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor," R. E. Melvin; "The Junior Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor," Elsie Watson; "Ladies' Circles," Mrs. Raymond; "The Ladies' Missionary Society," Mrs. A. M. Wilcox; "Plymouth Church in the Community," Rev. Mr. J. W. Somerville; "Plymouth Church, Its Future Possibilities and Hopes," Dr. Cordley. The evening was spent in an elaborate banquet.

Plymouth Congregational church was founded October 15, 1834, with the following members; Rev. Mr. S. Y. Lum, Samuel C. Pomeroy, Charles Dickson, Oliver A. Hans-

hack. I scared them away once."

Myers handed over the revolver, a Colt's
45-caliber, without hesitancy and Brazel,
stuffing it into his overcoat pocket, disappeared in the snow storm.

When he reached his house, Brazel
passed through and, without stopping to
say good-by to his wife or children, walked
out the rear door. Entering the small
outbuilding, Brazel botted the door and,
placing the revolver behind his ear, pulled
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Brazel was of a playful nature, and when his wife heard the report of the revolver she thought he had thrown a snowball against the window. When he did not enter the house after, however, Mrs. Brazel sent for her sister, Mrs. S. Zacharias Schutte, who lives at 1991 McGee street, fearing all was not right. An investigation resulted in finding Brazel's lifeless body in the outhouse, after the door was kicked open.

Deputy Coroner Wheeler viewed the body and ordered it carried into the house. It was later removed to Undertaker Wagner's morgue.

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Brazel came to Kansas Cliy in 1870 from Cincinnati, O. He was a native of Harrison, O. He leaves a wife and three children; George, aged 19, who has been associated with him for years in the wood engraving business; Lillian, aged 13, and Stanley, aged 8. Mrs. Brazel is a daughter of John Kling, the baker, at 15281g Grand avenue, and a sister of "Billy" Kling, the baseball player, and John Kling, the pool player. She is a sister of "Billy" Kling, the baseball player, and John Kling, the pool player. She is a sister of Mrs. S. Zacharias Schutte, wife of a lumber dealer, at 1601 McGee street, and owner of the Schutte building at 1290 Grand avenue. Two months ago Mr. and Mrs. Brazel celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary.

Brazel was a member of Brooklyn lodge No. 118 Knights of Pythias, and was also a member of a local Modern Woodmen of America lodge. He owned no real estate in Kansas City, but Mr. Schutte, whose house he occupied, says he paid his rent promptly.

house he promptly. Mrs. Eli Beck Sues for Divorce.

A divorce suit was filed at Independence yesterday by Mrs. Blanche Beck against Eli Beck. Beck has a machine shop on South Main street, in Independence, and is well-to-do. Mrs. Beck says they were married in 1891, and that their honeymoon was of short duration. Three months after the wedding. Mrs. Beck says in her petition. Peck called her vile names. The plaintiff avers she had to buy necessaries of life with money carned by washing. In 1891, her husband deserted her and her two children, she alleges, and she asks the coart to order Beck to support herself and her children. Mrs. Ell Beck Sues for Divorce.

Washington. Dec. 2.—Secretary Gage to-cay decided that the Netherlands govern-ment pays a bounty on all sugar exports from that country, and hence, under the new tariff act, all sugars from the Neth-erlands entering the United States are sub-ject to a discriminating duty equal to the export bounty paid.

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CITY NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS.

The auditing committee of the city council will meet Saturday morning to pass upon the regular monthly bills.

Miss Emily Lundhere, the 16-year-old daughter of C. V. Lundhere, died yesterday at the family home, 1850 Washington street, of consumption.

A meeting of carnival crew reorganization has been called for this evening at the Commercial Club rooms. It was originally intended to hold the meeting Saturday.

The board of education last night gave the intended to note the meeting Saturday.

The board of education last night gave the Central High School Alumni Association permission to give a concert in the high school auditorium on the night of Jan-

school auditorium on the night of January 14.

The People's Forum will meet at 1117 Walnut street to-night. The question of whether or not an independent ticket should be put in the field for next spring's municipal election will be discussed. Parks and municipal ownership of public utilities will receive attention.

The Literary Society of the Central high school is at work arranging for the presentation of its twelfth annual Christmas play. "A Scrap of Paper" will be presented the night of December 18, at the high school auditorium. The various parts have been assigned and Professor Preston K. Dillenback is busy at work drilling the participants.

TO IMPEACH MAYES.

CHEROKEE COUNCIL WILL TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE CHIEF.

FREEDMEN PAYMENT FRAUD.

THE DELAWARES DECLARE THAT \$126,000 WAS STOLEN.

Chief Mayes Said to Be Implicated-Money Said to Have Been Paid to Negroes Who Had No Valid Claims.

St. Louis, Dec. 2-As a result of a meeting held in this city to-day, by members of a committee of the Cherokee council, proceedings for impeachment will at once be brought against Chief Mayes, of that nation, and his council. J. B. Raymond, William Vann and George Sanders, members of the sub-committee recently ap-pointed by the council of the Cherokee nution to investigate the alleged fraud in the payment of \$100,000 to the freedmen of the nation, by which it is said \$125,000 was stolen, came here, with J. R. McIntire, speaker of the Cherokee house, and T. W. Perry, clerk of the senate, for the purpose of investigating charges made by R. C. Adams, attorney for the Delawares.

A meeting was held last night, and again to-day. Just before traintime this ferencen, J. B. Raymond and William ann left here with affidavits, which they will use as a basis for impeachment proceedings as soon as they reach Tahlequah, I. T. After these two members left, the committee continued in executive session.

R. C. Adams, attorney for the Delawares, came to St. Louis in advance of the committee and will remain several days. Activities of the committee and will remain several days.

ng as spokesman for the committee, he aid:
"The committee came here to meet me They called on me to prove my statements regarding the charges brought against the chief and council of the Cherokees and I chief and council of the Cherokees and I was ready for them with affidavits which were convincing. Impeachment proceedings can be the only result now. The Delawares claim they were defrauded of their rightful share of the money from the sale of the Cherokee Strip and other lands. When we sold our lands at Fort Leavenworth in 1867, and bought a communal right in the Cherokee nation we were in the position of stockholders in a business concern.

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"The consideration we paid gave us a proportional inverest in all the land in the nation. The first trouble came when the Cherokees rented certain lands for pasture. They contended that we had no right to rental though they did not question our inferest in the land. The supreme court sustained us, and with the Shawnees and negro freedmen, we were awarded \$5,000 of the rental money collected in 1882 and 1883. Since then we have got no portion of it.

"When the Cherokee Strip was sold we were entitled to our share of the proceeds. We made the claim all along that the negro freedmen had no right to any part, as they had paid nothing for the communal interest. When the money from the sale was distributed, \$400,000 was set aside for the freedmen. This action deprived us of a portion of our just share of the money. We have what we regard as conclusive evidence that 1,000 negroes were brought into the Strip to act as claimants, and that they received a portion of the money.

"The meeting now in session is to examine my proofs of this. The connection of R. H. Kern and J. Milton Turner, of St. Louis, with the matter was considered by the committee. I cannot tell you whose testimony was taken or the exact nature of the evidence. It was considered conclusive."

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The charge that the meeting which resulted in the voting of an additional \$400,000 to the freedmen, after they had been awarded \$903,254 by the courts, was held in the office of Chief Mayes, with the knowledge of the council, will be the most important of those to be preferred against the chief and his council. Attorney Adams says an effort will also be made to disqualify the ex-officials of the nation from ever again holding office, but he will not give their names.

Attorney Robert H. Kern was much surprised when told that his connection with the apportionment of the Cherokee strip money had been discussed. "I was attorney for the freedmen," he said, "and my actions will bear the closest scruttny. Ev-

ery freedman who was awarded money was entitled to it. The charge that outsiders were brought in as claimants is false."

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NO "FUDGING" PERMITTED. HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS MUST COM-

PLETE WARD COURSE. Ward School Principals Induce the Board of Education to Adopt Rules Correcting a Grow-

ing Evil in Schools.

A committee of ward school principals waited on the board of education last night and presented a list of rules for the board to adopt, regulating the admission of pupils to the high schools. Principal E. C White of the Central high school and Principal Morrison, of the Manual Training school, were also present to present heir views on the new rules. The ward school principals who have been agitating school principals who have been agitating the adoption of such rules, contended that for years pupils have been getting into the high schools from the lifth, sixth and seventh grades of the ward schools without passing their examinations. At the meeting of the board two weeks ago the same

seventh grades of the ward schools without passing their examinations. At the meeting of the board two weeks ago the same ward school principals presented a resolution for adoption by the board providing for a board of examiners composed of ward school principals, who should pass on the qualifications of all candidates for admission into the high schools.

The board of education deferred action on the matter until the meeting last night, after the members had expressed opinions against the adoption of such a rule. The high school principals stated before the board that if such a rule was adopted it took the management of the high schools out of the hands of those appointed to govern them, and placed the ward school principals in position to determine who should enter the high schools. Last night the ward school principals presented a new set of rules, and after thorough discussion they were adopted. Heretofore there have been no written rules regulating the entrance of pupils into the high schools.

Members of the committee of ward school principals stated that they knew of scores of instances in which pupils had failed to pass their ward school examinations, but had taken the high school entrance examinations and been admitted. Principal Morrison denied emphatically the report circulated by some of the ward school principals that some of the pupils in the Manual Training school had been admitted who had failed to take even the sixth and seventh grade course in the ward schools. The following are the new rules adopted by the board:

Pupils shall be admitted to the Kansas City high schools and are granted certificates shall be admitted unconditionally.

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Second—Those pupils shall be admitted who are recommended on trial promotion by the ward school principals.

Third-All pupils in good standing coming from other high schools shall be admitted on certificate or other satisfactory evidence of scholarship presented to the rincipal.
Fourth-Pupils from other public graded

schools who have completed the course of study equivalent to the Kansas City ward school course shall be admitted upon pre-sentation of certificate from the former sentation of certain sentation of certain principal.

Fifth-All other applicants shall, under direction of the superintendent, pass an examination in all respects equivalent to that pased by the ward school pupils in the Kansas City schools for admission to the high school.s

Sixth-No applicant shall be admitted to any high school except as herein provid-Sixth No applicant share any high school except as herein provid-any high school except as herein provid-ed, unless by special order of the board of

THERE IS A CLASS OF PEOPLE Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomeh receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ½ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 ets. and 2 ets. per puckage. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.